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SUBJECT: CIVAIR - PAN AM PROBLEM WITH GROUND SERVICES

1. PAN AMERICAN HAS CALLED TO DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION ITS CONCERN OVER DIRECTOR GENERAL OF CIVIL AVIATIONS INSTRUCTION AS TRANSMITTED THROUGH KARACHI AIRPORT MANAGER THAT LABOR CONTRACT FOR GROUND SERVICES BE CANCELLED FORTHWITH. ORDER REFERS TO PAKISTAN AIRLINES (PIA) GROUND SERVICE AS NOW BEING IN A POSITION TO PROVIDE NECESSARY SERVICES. CLEAR INTENT APPEARS TO BE TO FORCE PAN AM TO OBTAIN GROUND HANDLING SERVICES THROUGH PIA.

2. PAN AM ADVISES THAT PIA'S CAPABILITY HAS NOT IN THE PAST BEEN UP TO DESIRED STANDARDS, AND THAT ADDITIONAL COSTS ENTAILED IN CANCELLATION PRESENT CONTRACT AND NEGOTIATING NEW ONE WOULD BE SUBSTANTIAL.

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3. CONGEN IS REQUESTED TO COORDINATE WITH PAN AM LOCAL

REP AND LEND APPROPRIATE ASSISTANCE WITH PAK AUTHORITIES.
ORDER TO USE PIA GROUND SERVICES WOULD APPEAR INCONSISTENT
WITH ARTICLE IV(A) OF AIR TRANSPORT AGREEMENT WITH RESPECT
TO EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, AND IT MAY BE POINTED OUT THAT USG
LEAVES TO DISCRETION OF DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN CARRIER
MANAGEMENT HOW BEST TO SECURE NECESSARY GROUND SERVICES IN
THE US. KISSINGER

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